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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM APPLICATION FOR AMSTERDAM- BERLIN SERVICE

REF: (A) STATE 73732; (B) FLATIN/ BEAL TELECON OF APRIL 25

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE EMBASSY CAA, WRITTEN ALSO ON BEHALF OF THE UK CAA AND DELIVERED TO FRENCH POLITICAL COUNSELOR LUSTIG ON APRIL 24. THE PURPOSE OF THE LETTER WAS TO INFORM LUSTIG (IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FRENCH CAA) ABOUT A DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE U. S. AND BRITISH CAAS AND THAT THEY WERE NOW PREPARED TO APPROVE

THE PAN AMERICAN SERVICE TO AMSTERDAM. FRENCH APPROVAL FOR THE SERVICE WAS REQUESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE LETTER HAS SINCE BEEN FOLLOWED UP BY TELEPHONE CALLS FROM BOTH THE U. K. AND U. S. EMBASSIES.

2. QUOTE: AS WE HAD AGREED WITH M. DE BELLESCIZE LAST WEEK BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE ON LEAVE, MR. KIRK OF THE BRITISH EMBASSY AND I HAD A DISCUSSION TODAY REGARDING THE PAN AM PROPOSED SERVICE
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BETWEEN BERLIN AND AMSTERDAM. THERE WERE CERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS TALKS THAT HAD NOT BEEN RESOLVED.

QUOTE: AT OUR MEETING TODAY I ASSURED MR. KIRK, FOR THE US, THAT THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WOULD APPLY IF THE SERVICE IS APPROVED TRIPARTITELY:

QUOTE: KLM HAD NOT, AND WOULD NOT BE OFFERED ANY RECIPROCAL RIGHTS FOR THIS SERVICE. WE WOULD ACCEPT THAT IN THE FUTURE, TRIPARTITE CONSULTATIONS WOULD TAKE PLACE BEFORE SIMILAR NEGOTIATIONS WERE COMMENCED WITH OTHER THIRD COUNTRIES FOR ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL SERVICES TO BERLIN.

QUOTE: WE ACCEPTED THE UK'S PREFERENCE NOT TO SEE A PROLIFERATION OF SUCH INTERNATIONAL SERVICES UNTIL THE FUTURE OF THE IGS CAN BE BETTER JUDGED, AND THE RESULTS OF ANY FUTURE FRG/ GDR AIR AGREEMENT CAN BE WEIGHED. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE NOTE THAT THE US WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT SIMILAR UK OR FRENCH APPLICATIONS BECAUSE WE REGARD THE NATIONALITY OF THE CARRIER AS THE MOST RELEVANT FACTOR, NOT THE ORIGIN OF THE ROUTE.

QUOTE: WITH THESE UNDERSTANDINGS, THE UK AND THE US ARE PREPARED TO APPROVE THE PAN AM SERVICE WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY EXCEPT TO CONSULT THE AUSWAERTIGES AMT. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING FROM M. DE BELLESCIZE THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN SOME FRENCH RESERVATION TO BE CLEARED UP, AND HE EXPECTED THIS WAS ALREADY TAKING PLACE. I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU REGARDING FRENCH VIEWS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
UNQUOTE

3. RUNNETTE OF PAN AMERICAN HAS INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT APRIL 26 WOULD BE THE LAST DAY ON WHICH, IF APPROVAL WERE RECEIVED, HE COULD START THE WHEELS MOVING IN TIME FOR THE AMSTERDAM SERVICE TO BEGIN ON MAY 1. WE ARE CONTINUING TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE FRENCH EMBASSY FOR PROMPT APPROVAL.

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